

House Resolution No. 2248

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives take tremendous pleasure in acknowledging milestone events in the lives of Show-Me State young women who have admirably dedicated themselves to exceptional participation in the Girl Scouts of America program with its emphasis on maturation and growth as a person, citizen, and leader; and

Whereas, the members now pause to recognize Hanna Sue Parra, of Cameron, Missouri, and a member of Girl Scout Troop 18, who has earned the coveted Girl Scouts of America Silver Award; and

Whereas, the Girl Scouts Silver Award is the highest award granted to Girl Scouts between the ages of eleven and fourteen, or Cadette Girl Scouts; and

Whereas, the Girl Scout Silver Award represents a girl's accomplishments in Girl Scouting and her community as she grows and works to improve her life and the lives of others; and

Whereas, the first four requirements of the Girl Scout Silver Award help girls build skills, explore careers, gain leadership skills, and make a commitment to self-improvement, and the Girl Scout Silver Award Project can be undertaken when the first four requirements are completed; and

Whereas, the Silver Award Project takes approximately forty hours to complete, including planning time, and provide community service, which can be done inside or outside of Girl Scouting; and

Whereas, after earning the various leadership, career, and challenge awards, Hanna Sue Parra identified a need to preserve history and raise awareness of an abandoned cemetery near her community, and her Silver Project consisted of cleaning, mowing, and weeding the forgotten 1882 Jones Cemetery; and

Whereas, Hanna Sue Parra repaired and replaced fence posts, identified and cataloged head stones, and researched the cemetery and family histories that resulted in individual webpages with digital pictures of the head stones and any additional information obtained to preserve the history of the cemetery and the effected families; and

Whereas, Hanna Sue Parra's Silver Project raised awareness of the Jones Cemetery in the community and ensured its maintenance for posterity:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our sincerest congratulations to Hanna Sue Parra on the occasion of her earning the illustrious Girl Scouts Silver Award and to wish her every success in all her future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Girl Scout Silver Award recipient Hanna Sue Parra, daughter of Rhonda and Leonard Parra.

Offered by _____
Representative James O. Guest
District No. 5

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2248, adopted April 24, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker